

# Social World

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Vacation Trip

Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Miles and Mr. Miles' mother, Mrs. Della Moe, ... returned from a two week vacation trip. They traveled north to San Leandro and from there to Portland and on to Pendleton along the Columbia River. Their next stop was Bend, Ore. where they visited Mrs. Harold Parsons, the former Ruth Yager of Torrance. The return trip was made through Reno and Bishop.

Fete Russees

Ella Myr, chairman of English Sigma Alpha entertained at a card party at the home of Mrs. Peggy Roy honoring their Russian guests. Guests were Mrs. Marjorie Duke and Liz Turner. Prizes were given to the winners and refreshments were served. The next meeting will be held at the home of Lonnie Crain on Oct. 14.



A FRIENDLY GREETING... On the steps at their newly decorated clubhouse, 1422 Engracia Ave., a warm welcome is extended to new members of the Torrance Woman's Club at the opening meeting last Wednesday. Here are, from left, Mrs. R. A. Bingham, hospitality chairman, Mrs. Allen and Pysat, hospitality chairmen, greeting Mrs. Esther Maxwell and Mrs. George Leverenz, new members, as Mrs. Don Wolf, club president, invites them into the clubhouse.

## Torrance AFS Unit Names Officers

Torrance Chapter of American Field Service has elected its new officers for the coming year. They are Mrs. Francis Stoeckle, chairman; Mrs. Dean Sears, recording secretary; Mrs. John Hinds, corresponding secretary; Mrs. A. C. Turner, treasurer; Mrs. Grover Van Deventer,

home placement; Mrs. J. B. Mosley, ways and means; Mrs. F. W. Lane, appointments; and Mrs. John Melville, publicity.

American Field Service is a private, non-profit educational organization whose purpose is the furthering of understanding and good will among the peoples of the world. It carries out this purpose by bringing teenage students from abroad to study in American high schools and to live with American families for a year.

In the summer, teenagers are sent abroad to live with families for two months.

Last year 1039 AFS students from 28 different countries were living and attending high schools in more than 850 communities, making a total of 4024 young scholars since the beginning of the scholarship program in 1947.

The Torrance chapter began its work in 1954 when Max Wills came from Germany and resided with Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Mosley and Miss Lena Malinsson from Sweden made her home with Mr. and Mrs. Henry Graef.

The American summer exchange student that year was Larry Lippincott who went to Germany.

In 1955, Gloria Montisinos came from Spain. Her foster parents were Mr. and Mrs. Frank Lane, and Mr. and Mrs. Francis Stoeckle were hosts to Arvo Willemsen of Holland. Arvo Mahling came from Germany to reside with the John Melvilles.

Tom Quaggin and Jean Salomone, Torrance students, were sent to Germany.

In 1956, Mr. and Mrs. Dale Harter served as foster parents to Christa Volkmann of Austria and Carl Hoybe came from Denmark to stay with Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Pullman.

That summer Mary Sippel and Marjorie Towie were sent to the Scandinavian countries.

### Birthday Party Honors Debbie

A hot dog barbecue and party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Agapito on Marjorie Ave. last Saturday, Sept. 27, honored their daughter Debbie, who was celebrating her eighth birthday.

Debbie's guests were Carol Davis, Tracy Wright, Dwight Howard, Ernest Costello, Shari McIntosh, Patty Withrow, Barbara Dungee, Randy Swensen and Nancy Gembrone, Roger Martin, Dick Marshall and Vince Agapito.

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INTERNATIONAL GOOD WILL... These are the new officers of the Torrance Chapter, American Field Service, elected last week. They are from left: Mrs. Grover Van Deventer, home placement chairman; Mrs. Francis Stoeckle, chapter chairman; Mrs. A. C. Turner, treasurer; and Mrs. John L. Hinds, corresponding secretary. The chapter will soon select Torrance High School students to send abroad under the Field Service program.

## Torrance Woman's Club Begins Exciting Season

The summer recess was over, and members of the Torrance Woman's Club wearing many of the new fall fashions, gathered at their Engracia Ave. clubhouse last Wednesday to open their new year. It was a time for conversation, greeting old friends, welcoming the new, and beginning a club year with enthusiasm for a well planned season of philanthropies, social activities and civic betterment.

Mrs. Howard Altermatt, decorations chairman, used a floral theme for this opening session. Luncheon tables were decorated with miniature black baby grand pianos filled with pink and white carnations. The president's table held a beautiful pink

and white floral arrangement enhanced with musical notes. Guests were greeted by Hospitality Chairmen Mrs. Allen Pysat and Mrs. R. A. Bingham.

After the luncheon Mrs. Don Wolf presided at her first meeting. She introduced her executive board and standing committee chairmen.

Mrs. John Thuss, dean of chairmen, presented the federation chairman.

Mrs. J. P. Bay, treasurer, gave the proposed budget for the year, which was accepted by the membership.

Mrs. J. L. Clifford, ways and means chairman, listed the money-making events for the year and explained the "make-a-heck" project which will be conducted throughout the year.

At 2 o'clock Mrs. Sid Gans, program chairman, introduced the two artists for the afternoon. They were Peggy and Bill Coburn, concert team, who delighted their audience with a sparkling repertoire of music. Mrs. Coburn, who has a rich contralto voice, sang a number of Italian, Irish, German and French selections. She also sang two numbers composed by her husband who served as her accompanist. The program was closed with a negro spiritual.

After the program, the members and guests had the pleasure of viewing the paintings of two of the members, Mrs. Howard Altermatt and Mrs. William Crocker, which were on display. These paintings will be exhibited throughout the month.

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White gladioli and chrysanthemums decorated the church for the wedding.

The bride wore a white brocaded princess wedding gown with a finger tip veil of bridal illusion. She carried a white bouquet topped with a white orchid. She was given in marriage by her father.

The bride's attendant was gowned in green and carried golden brown cymbidiums.

The bridegroom, who is serving with the Coast Guard, was in uniform as were his best man and ushers.

A reception followed at the home of the bride's sister, Dr. and Mrs. Woods, in San Bruno for the wedding. After a month the young couple will be at home in Mico Bay where Mr. Wood will continue with the Coast Guard.

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## Jones-Jordan Wedding Is Solemnized

Miss Donna Belle Jones, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Marion Woods of Los Angeles, was married to Sgt. Wayne E. Jordan, son of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence H. Jordan, 20947 S. Deaker, Torrance, on Sept. 27.

The vows were exchanged in a 2 o'clock ceremony in the home of the bridegroom's parents.

For her wedding Miss Jones wore a beige crystalline afternoon dress and an orchid corsage.

Miss Roberta Bond was the bridal attendant. She wore gold tiffets and had a corsage of carnations.

John Eggum stood as best man.

Bishop Nelson Bentmeiser of the Torrance ward, Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, officiated.

A reception was held in the garden where the wedding cake was served with punch. Miss Sandra Jordan registered the guests.

The couple are both graduates of Fremont High School in Los Angeles. Mr. Jordan has been in the Army for 11 years and is now stationed at Camp Roberts. A home will be established in Paso Robles.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Cook of Orem, Utah, came here for their grandson's wedding.

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## Engagement Announced

Mr. and Mrs. Les Brettenfeldt, 17010 Atkinson Ave., are today announcing the engagement of their daughter, Judy Marie, to Fred Miller, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Miller, 24451 Madison St., Walters.

Nov. 28 has been set as the wedding day.

The future bride was graduated from North Torrance High School in June 1958. She is employed at Ramo Woodridge.

The benedict is a Torrance High School graduate, class of 1957. He is employed by TWA.

## At Guest Ranch

Robert L. Grantham, 4039 W. 175th Pl., was a recent guest at the Warner Springs Guest Ranch in San Diego County.

## First District Garden Meet Held Sept. 30

Garden and City Beautiful, Marina District 18, CFWG, held its first workshop of the year on Tuesday, Sept. 30, at the Neptunian Club in Redondo Beach. Mrs. John Thuss of the Torrance Woman's Club, Marina District garden chairman, presided at this meeting.

Fourteen garden chairmen from clubs of the district were present to outline the year's program, which will include two district workshops and a fall conference.

The conference is scheduled for Nov. 30 at the Neptunian Club. The program, which will follow a luncheon, will feature Charlotte Mathen of Redondo Beach who will speak on "Holiday Decorations."

At the spring conference, to be held at the Torrance Woman's Club, guest speaker will be Gordon Baker Lloyd. His topic will be "New Plants and Shrubs."

The major project this year is the "Pennington Plant Fund" which will be used to reforest a burned-out area of the Angeles forest.

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## Festive Party Honors Leslie

Leslie Baldwin, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Baldwin, 1919 Elm, celebrated her fourth birthday on Saturday, Sept. 27, with a party at her home.

Balloons and streamers decorated the rumpus room where games were played with prizes going to Cheryl Kippy, Marian Decker and Judith Lawellen. The birthday cake was served with tea, cream and punch.

Leslie's guests were Cindy Waterman, Stacey Ely, Marian Decker, Christine Rod Jones, Cheryl Kippy, Juanita and Lance Jackson, Paula Schmid, Theresa, Judith and Patricia Lawellen, and Jean Plummer.

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YOUR PROBLEMS by Ann Landers

"Adoption... Worth the Chance?" Dear Readers: Do you remember Cora? She wrote me some time ago asking if we could persuade her husband that adoption was "worth the chance." Cora expressed the hope that parents of adopted children would write to this column and tell of their experiences. She said, "Perhaps it could change our lives." The response to Cora's plea was thrilling. I don't know when I've received such a shower of heart-warming letters. Many letters came from adopted children. Almost half the mail came from fathers. Many men asked to be put in touch with Cora's reluctant husband. One father offered to "call him long distance no matter where he lives." I'd like to share some excerpts of some of the most wonderful letters I've ever read.—ANN LANDERS. For Lauderdale: For a girl 14 years old, Mr. parents adopted me when I was an infant. They didn't choose me because I was the prettiest. I had eczema all over my body and was sickly. The people at the agency didn't even show me. Mother noticed me in a crib in the corridor. She asked what was the matter with that "poor little thing." Mom said after she saw me she became very coward and couldn't decide. She said



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